



Maryland

Weekly Crop and Weather Report

MD-CW1306

June 26, 2006

Rains, beginning Thursday and through the weekend, have replenished **soil moisture** but are now in excess in some areas. This was critical for **corn**, which has just started tasseling. **Wheat** harvest has been delayed due to heavy rains as well as double crop **soybean** planting. Reporting observers noted that some portions of fields are underwater currently. There were **4.7 days suitable for field work**.

Fruits are currently reported to be in mostly good condition. **Apples** were rated 1 percent fair and 99 percent good. **Peaches** were rated 1 percent poor, 7 percent fair, 88 percent good, and 4 percent excellent.

Pastures are in generally good condition with 3 percent very poor, 12 percent poor, 37 percent fair, 37 percent good, and 11 percent excellent. **Hay supplies** are 5 percent very short, 17 percent short, 74 percent adequate, and 4 percent surplus.

MARYLAND'S CROP PROGRESS FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 25, 2006

| Item | | This Week | Last Week | Last Year | Average 2001-2005 |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|
| <u>Small Grain Development</u> | | <i>Percent</i> | | | |
| Winter Wheat: | Turned | 95 | 92 | 93 | 88 |
| | Harvested | 17 | 1 | 23 | 24 |
| <u>Field Crops</u> | | | | | |
| Soybeans: | Planted | 84 | 80 | 85 | 75 |
| | Emerged | 64 | 60 | 72 | 61 |
| <u>Hay</u> | | | | | |
| Alfalfa Hay | 1st Cutting | 95 | 94 | 95 | 90 |
| | 2nd Cutting | 42 | 36 | 31 | 30 |
| Other Hay | 1st Cutting | 90 | 86 | 90 | 85 |
| | 2nd Cutting | 14 | 7 | 11 | 15 |
| <u>Vegetables Planted</u> | | | | | |
| Cucumbers | | 71 | 62 | 67 | 62 |
| Lima Beans (Processed) | | 61 | 57 | 59 | 63 |
| Snap Beans | | 72 | 63 | 72 | 69 |
| Sweet Corn | | 92 | 89 | 90 | 91 |
| Tomatoes | | 95 | 92 | 94 | 95 |
| Green Peas: | Harvested | 85 | 74 | 75 | 72 |
| <u>Fruits</u> | | | | | |
| Strawberries: | Harvested | 91 | 83 | 92 | 92 |

SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION FOR WEEK ENDING JUNE 25, 2006

| Condition by Percent | Topsoil Moisture | | | Subsoil Moisture | | |
|----------------------|------------------|-----------|-------------------|------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| | This Week | Last Week | Average 2001-2005 | This Week | Last Week | Average 2001-2005 |
| Very Short | - | 18 | 4 | - | 13 | 6 |
| Short | 17 | 47 | 18 | 19 | 39 | 18 |
| Adequate | 49 | 34 | 60 | 71 | 48 | 61 |
| Surplus | 34 | 1 | 18 | 10 | - | 15 |

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WEATHER SUMMARY FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 25, 2006

| | Precipitation ¹ | | | Temperatures | | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|---|--------------|-----|---------|-----------------------------|
| Weather Station | Total this week | Total Since Jan 1 | Departure from Normal Since Jan 1 | High | Low | Average | Departure from Normal |
| Maryland | | | | | | | |
| Baltimore/Washington Airport | 0.89 | 13.22 | -6.21 | 95 | 64 | 80 | 7 |
| Frederick | 1.27 | 15.13 | -4.16 | 95 | 62 | 77 | 8 |
| Frostburg | 1.33 | 17.46 | -5.41 | 87 | 53 | 69 | 5 |
| Hagerstown | 0.60 | 9.87 | -8.84 | 92 | 62 | 77 | 5 |
| Mechanicsville | 1.72 | 12.95 | -8.75 | 92 | 63 | 78 | 5 |
| Patuxent River | 1.18 | 11.27 | -8.39 | 91 | 70 | 79 | 7 |
| Ocean City | 1.23 | 13.34 | -7.93 | 83 | 64 | 75 | 3 |
| Salisbury | 2.96 | 16.28 | -4.82 | 91 | 59 | 76 | 4 |
| Sharpsburg | 0.16 | 13.44 | -5.85 | 93 | 57 | 76 | 7 |
| Stevensville | 2.04 | 14.21 | -5.97 | 91 | 67 | 79 | 6 |
| Washington, DC (Reagan National) | 2.95 | 14.65 | -3.13 | 93 | 69 | 80 | 3 |
| Delaware | | | | | | | |
| Dover | 3.51 | 15.07 | -5.47 | 93 | 68 | 79 | 6 |
| Georgetown | 6.56 | 17.78 | -2.98 | 91 | 66 | 78 | 6 |
| Wilmington | 0.84 | 15.95 | -3.57 | 90 | 63 | 78 | 5 |

¹ Precipitation totals as of 7 A.M. on recorded date.

Weather Data is provided by the Agricultural Weather Information Service, Auburn, Alabama and is considered preliminary.